

### SIMPLE FUNERAL SERVICE PLANNED FOR COL. N. H. HEFT

Pioneer in Electrification of Horse Car Lines Succumbs at Home Here

Simple ceremonies will mark the funeral services of Colonel Nathan Hopkins Heft, at the Heft mansion, 694 Park avenue, relatives and friends will gather there and participate in the service at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Colonel Heft died at 8:30 o'clock last night at his home, after two months' illness. He had suffered from heart trouble and several minor ailments. He was 68 years old.

The engineering world lost one of its most valuable assets in the death of Colonel Heft and progress in science was given a blow by his passing. He had international fame and a pioneer and developer of electric systems.

Attorney Samuel C. Shaw completed the funeral arrangements this afternoon. The pallbearers selected are David W. Thompson, General Edwin S. Greeley of New Haven, I. W. Birdseye, Judge Morris B. Boardman, Henry Atwater, Frank Miller, Samuel H. Wheeler, Dr. George Barris of New York, Edward W. Harrah, Jonathan Godfrey and Samuel O. Shaw.

Immediately after the funeral services at the house, the body of Colonel Heft will be taken to New York and thence to Greensburgh, the former home of his widow. There he will be buried in the Moore Mausoleum, which contains the deceased relatives of Mrs. Heft.

Colonel Heft will be the first to be borne through the beautiful gates that he recently constructed as an entrance to the mausoleum. They are works of art.

Rev. Stephen F. Sherman, Jr., pastor of St. John's Episcopal church, will officiate at the services. Both Colonel and Mrs. Heft belonged to that church.

As chief of the electrical department of the New Haven road, Colonel Heft was the first to realize the immense advantage of the third rail system and to utilize it in New England. He was the first to institute an electrically controlled railway on a standard steam system.

As an engineer he was known all over the world. He was accorded the honor of inspecting the underground systems of Paris, London and Budapest. His opinions were sought universally.

Colonel Heft and associates transformed the old horse railway system in Bridgeport into the electric system.

His company bought out the horse system and educated the public into believing in the efficiency of the electric line. When it was established, the value of it soon became apparent. That was in the early 90's.

Colonel Heft came to Bridgeport in 1894, when he was appointed to the position of chief of the engineering department of the New Haven road. He retired in 1905 and became devoted to art, of which he had always been a student. He made a collection of many old masters' paintings, which adorn his mansion now. Chinas, vases, rugs, and other interesting objects became part of a great collection of valuable articles.

During the illness of Colonel Heft, Dr. George Barris and Walter B. James of New York consulted with Dr. H. LeBaron Peters of this city. Heart trouble and other illness combined to render him weak, and the efforts of the physicians were unavailing.

Colonel Heft first married in 1874. He took for his wife, Florence Chase. His second marriage was to Mrs. Josephine Richardson, daughter of John W. and Elizabeth Moore of Greensburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. George Stanley Heft, son by his first marriage, and William M. Richardson, a stepson, survive Colonel Heft, besides his widow.

He was a member of the Engineers' club of New York, the Algonquin, Bridgeport Yacht and Brooklawn Country club. He was a Democrat.

Nathan Hopkins Heft was the eldest child of Samuel and Rebecca Wilson Heft. He was born in Carverton, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, November 15, 1848. His early training was confined to the district schools. As a young man he opened a small store in Parson county, but owing to the strike and general industrial depression that was being experienced, the store failed.

Later he entered the employ of Broderick & Company, a mining concern. Here he learned the business necessities that proved of great value to him in later life. He learned how to handle men. In 1868 he managed the Heft Lubricating Oil works in Easton, Pa., where he developed one of the most flourishing concerns of its kind. He was president of the Farmers & Mechanics' institute and a director of the Northampton County National bank. His connection with the railroad followed.

Among the closest personal friends of Col. Heft in Bridgeport was Frederick C. Mullins, the well known financial director of the firm of Cullinan & Mullins. Mr. Mullins was city clerk when Col. Heft came to Bridgeport. He spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Heft's loyalty and enterprise. Mr. Mullins said his acquaintance with Col. Heft began when he and Andrew Radel came to Bridgeport for the electrification of the horse car lines, more than 20 years ago.

"It was the desire of Col. Heft and

# We Have Opened What Will Be Known For Years As The Greatest Brass Bed Sale Ever Held in This City!

## Over 500 Brass Beds of Highest Quality Will Sell at About Half the Regular Prices!

For several months we have been planning this sale, we interviewed one manufacturer after another, we presented to them our plan, told them of the sale we were going to hold, and explained to them how with their co-operation we would be able to sell a tremendous number of beds in a few weeks.

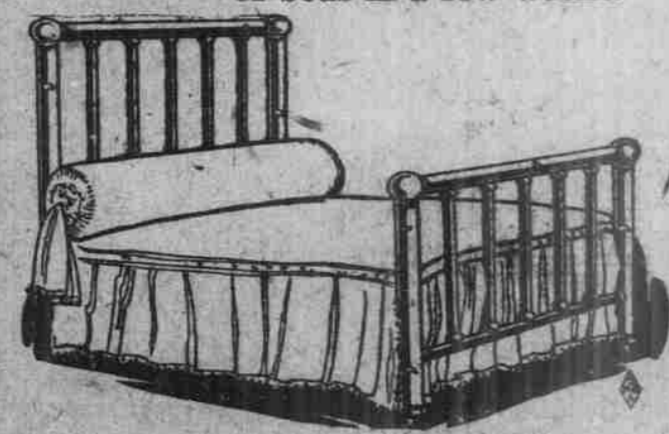
We told them that if they would make proper concession in price, we would contract for our entire brass beds sales for two years.

We even did more than that. We talked with a number of firms in other cities and got them to make the same proposal to the manufacturer, with the combined orders for two years from these several firms; the total assumed such a tremendous proportion that the manufacturer granted our concession.

We have opened the sale. It is of such importance that people from surrounding cities can well afford to make a trip to this city, in order to profit by this great brass bed event.

It was at first suggested that owing to the low prices which these beds will be sold, that only cash sales were to be honored, but we frowned upon this policy, and decided to sell these beds for cash or credit at the same low prices. If you wish to purchase any of these beds on credit we will adjust the terms to suit your convenience.

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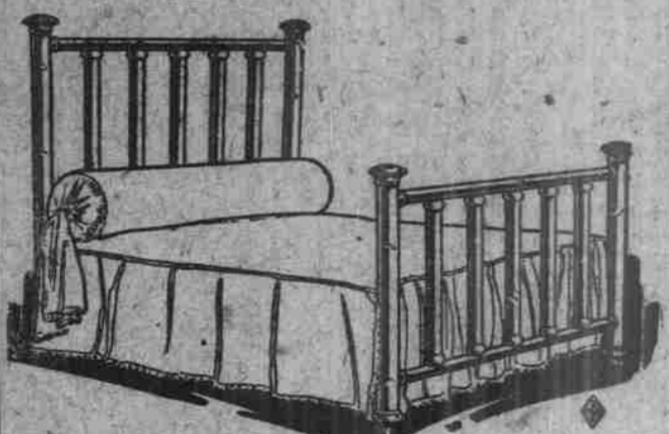


Ball Top Brass Beds \$10.75

This is the first time in the history of the furniture business that a Ball Top Bed with two inch posts and one inch fillers ever sold under \$20.00. The above illustration shows this bed in exact detail.

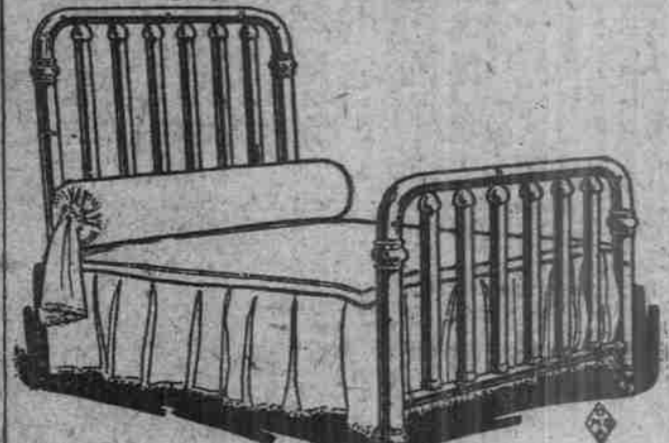
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Heavy Filler Brass Beds \$14.75

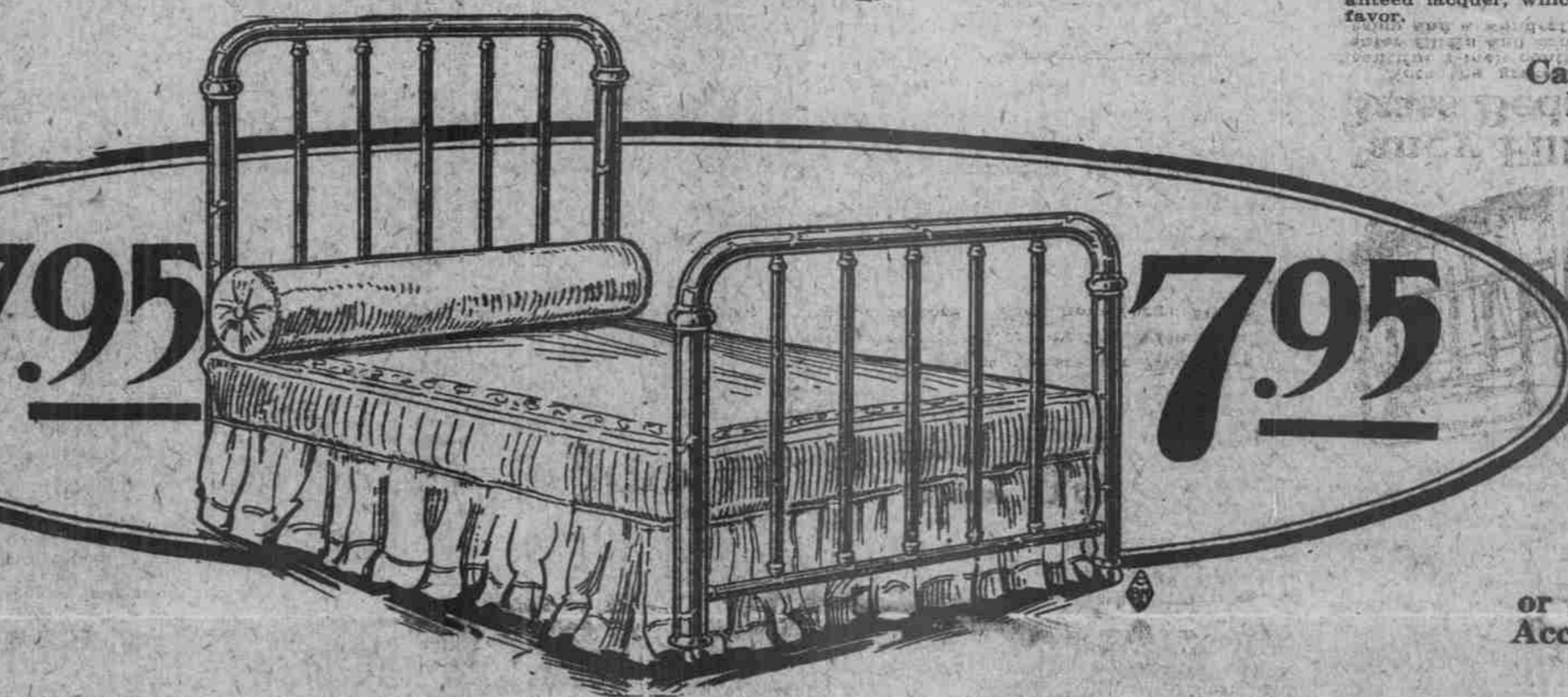
These beautiful beds as you see them pictured above have very massive center fillers and the posts are surmounted with unique caps that are distinctly different.



2-inch Post Brass Beds \$18.75

This is one of the most beautiful beds entering into this great sale. See the massive center fillers and the beautiful spire caps that surmount the center fillers.

**Hadley's "Duchess" THREE ROOM OUTFIT \$99.00**  
Terms to Suit.



2-inch Continuous Post Brass Beds \$7.95

We have featured this bed in the above manner because it is unquestionably the most remarkable Brass Bed value in this sale which means that it is the most wonderful brass bed value ever advertised by any firm. The retail selling price of this bed is less than the average store purchases them from the factory. They have large 2-inch posts and heavy center fillers with guaranteed lacquering.

#### ALL BEDS EXACTLY LIKE CUTS

Every illustration shown in this advertisement is an exact reproduction of these Brass Beds, exactly as they appear on our sales floors. Every detail of design is authentically drawn, so that you can see exactly just how these beds will appear in your bed room. You can make your selection right from this advertisement.



30 Filler Brass Beds \$18.75

These beds have heavy two-inch posts surmounted with large corner caps and square cross bars at head and foot.



2-inch Post Brass Beds \$12.75

It is the massiveness of these beds that makes them such remarkable values. They are all of guaranteed lacquer, which is another big point in their favor.

Cash Is Unnecessary During This Sale

Small Weekly or Monthly Payments Accepted on Any Bed

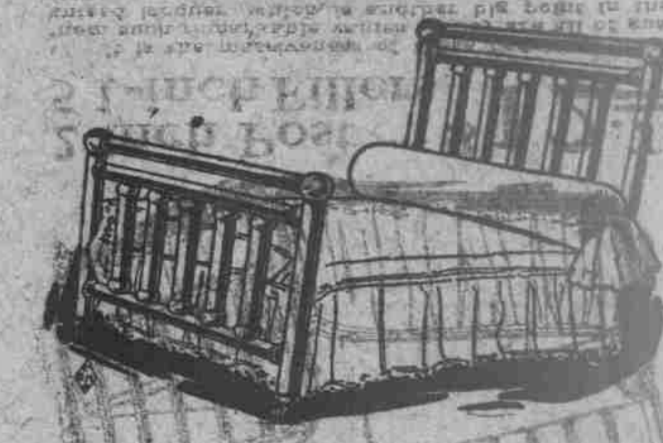


Fancy Filler Brass Beds \$17.50

Note the graceful design of this beautiful 2-inch continuous post bed with the large center fillers and cross bars. It is most unique in design and a wonderful value.

2-inch Posts Brass Beds \$20.75

This wonderful bed is unquestionably the highest quality brass bed ever manufactured. It is extra size throughout as you can see from the illustration.



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**Hadley's "Little Princess" FOUR-ROOM OUTFIT**  
Complete in Every Detail.  
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Mr. Radel when they bought the old horse car system here from Hotchkiss, Hubbard and the other owners, to make it one of the best equipped electrical roads in the east," said Mr. Mullins. "Col. Heft and Mr. Radel spent a lot of money and time to give Bridgeporters an opportunity to see what electrical roads were in different parts of the country and took members of the board of trade, business men's association and represen-

tatives of the city government to Springfield, Rochester, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and other cities among the first to have electric street car lines. These gentlemen, at their own expense, conducted Bridgeporters to these cities that they might see what an electric street car system meant to a city. "After the road had been electrified, here, changes were made, and Mr. Radel assumed the ownership

and control of the road and Col. Heft went to the New Haven road." Mr. Mullins, recalling his national fame as a traction expert, also brought to mind his political activities. "I feel keenly his death. He was a loyal friend, socially, personally and politically," said he. "In politics he was a Democrat, and in the days of 1896 when Democrats needed assistance, he was one of the tried and true men who went to the front.

He was never ashamed to show his colors." Twenty-two men, charged with being ringleaders of the Lake county, Tenn., night riders, were jailed at Hickman, Ky. Charles Williams and Annie Ferguson, American crooks, were arrested in London, charged with stealing jewelry worth \$8,000.

City Plan Commission Wants Fairfield Avenue And Wall Street Wider (Continued on Page 10) street east to Ann street, then by a bridge into Connecticut avenue. The commission pronounces this proposal as probably too ambitious, but suggests that both bridges might be connected into Stratford avenue at East Main street. The commission states that building lines be established, where none exist, and that no building lines be hereafter shifted without the gravest reasons. Jack Johnson must seem quite like a reformer and uplifter among the fighters of Mexico.